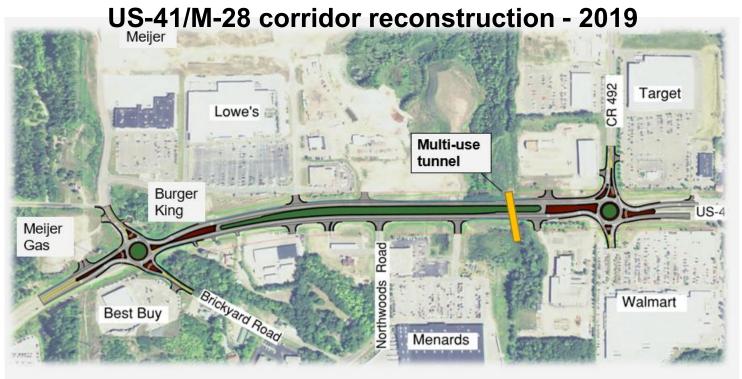
# MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



## **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

## What Is Being Done?

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is reconstructing US-41/M-28 between Marquette County Road 492 to just west of Brickyard Road, extending the existing boulevard roadway. The westbound lanes will be moved north to accommodate space needed for the divided highway. The project includes replacing signalized intersections with roundabouts at Brickyard Road and at County Road 492 near Walmart and Target, along with constructing indirect left-turn lanes, or "Michigan Lefts." A new multi-use tunnel beneath the highway, just west of CR 492, will provide a safe connection for non-motorized users and snowmobilers throughout all seasons.

**Construction Cost:** \$10.9 million: \$8.5 million for road work, \$2.4 million for the multi-use trail and tunnel.

## When Will This Be Done?

The project will begin in April 2019, and is expected to be completed by June 0f 2020. The roundabouts are expected to be open to traffic by the fall of 2019.

### **How Will Traffic Be Affected?**

Motorists should expect delays for traffic shifts, lane closures and temporary traffic signals. Traffic patterns will change as the season progresses in order to construct various stages of this project. Drivers will also need to be aware of temporary changes to local business access via local road detours or temporary drives.

#### **Long-term Benefits**

Commercial development has exploded along this busy corridor over the past 25 years, increasing traffic congestion and making non-motorized connections difficult. Turn-related crashes at private drives and side roads have been problematic for several years. This project will reconstruct one of the busiest commercial areas in the U.P. The project addresses crucial safety needs, promotes efficient travel through a busy corridor with numerous turning movements and helps to solve a multimodal bottleneck.

#### **How Will We Keep Motorists Informed?**

As we approach the project start, up-to-date information will be at www.michigan.gov/drive. An email list will also be established to provide regular updates during the project. To subscribe, email WeingartenD@michigan.gov

#### For More Information

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